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Sir:

Pursuant to his duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant hereby brings to the examiner's attention patent documents that may be material to the examination of the above-identified application. Therefore, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, applicant encloses a completed Form PTO-1449 listing the possible pertinent patent documents and a copy of each non-U.S. document.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted more than three months after the filing date of the above-identified application, and,

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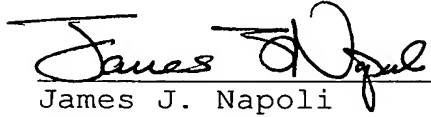
The Commissioner, however, is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed herewith.

A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed for the convenience of the examiner and to complete the file.

Respectfully submitted,

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